

REMARKS

Initially, applicants wish to thank the Examiner for her patience in dealing with this case.

As discussed in the February 15, 2004 telephone conference with the Examiner, the amended claims presented are set forth as if the amendments in the Amendment mailed by applicants on November 3, 2004 had not been entered. Thus, the amendments include amendments made in the paper mailed November 3, 2004 further modified by additional amendments applicants intended to make in a paper faxed to the Examiner February 9, 2005.

Applicants believe the amendments are all in order now, but applicants' undersigned attorney apologizes for the confusion in the various papers presented.

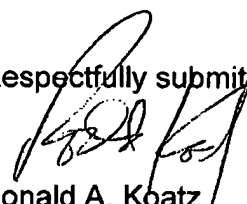
In any event, claims now pending in the application should be claims 1-6, 9-11 as amended. Claims 7 and 8 are canceled, without prejudice.

In accordance with discussions with Examiner applicants believe the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request entry of the claims, as amended.

Finally, as indicated earlier, applicants believe that the period of extension is two-month from mailing of the Advisory Action (i.e., from December 29, 2004 to February 28, 2005). However, if this is incorrect, please deduct the amount of any additional fees which may be needed from Deposition Account 12-1155.

If a telephone conversation would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,



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